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**DIRECT,**

Dear Dianne,

Re: Dr Paul Van Saarloos

I refer to a telephone conversation I had with you during March regarding my attempts to get Dr Van Saarloos to sign documentation from the Institute's patent attorney.

Dr Van Saarloos' contract with LEI quite clearly indicated that any Intellectual Property arising out of his employment with the Institute belongs to the Institute. Dr Van Saarloos has previously signed both Power of Attorney forms and Assignment forms in relation to various patent applications lodged during the course of his employment with LEI. However, both he and his attorney are currently not responding to my communications in relation to a patent application we are trying to progress.

### Patent for "Z-Axis Tracker"

- On the 1<sup>st</sup> December 2000 I wrote to Dr Van Saarloos requesting he sign "Assignment" papers for the Canadian and USA patent rights, as well as a "Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney" form for the USA. These forms are required to a) pass ownership of the above patent to LEI and b) to enable the application to proceed.
- On the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2000 I received a request from Corrs Chambers Westgarth referring to the above letter and requesting a copy of the relevant portion of his employment contract on the matter of IP ownership.
- 20<sup>th</sup> December 2000 I forwarded a copy of the employment contract as requested to Corrs Chambers Westgarth.
- 18<sup>th</sup> January 2001 I sent a follow-up letter to Dr Van Saarloos and offered to send a copy of the papers if required.

I have had no communication from Dr Van Saarloos on this matter and no further communication from his solicitor.